

MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: Dr. Albert D. Wheelon
Dr. Sidney Drell

DATE: 6 November 1963, 6:30 p.m.

Wheelon. Have you good news for us?

Drell. Let us say I have good news for you. I worked out a schedule and have thought about it some. I would like to try and do it... with few boundary conditions. I recognize I am going to commit at least half time to this. I think this means on the order of 3-4 days a week. I would like to do the following. I am worrying about one point... having panel working full-time and having part-time director -- I don't want to be a figure head. I would like to call a few parttime people in the physics department to work with me.

Wheelon. I agree to that. We can check on clearance status of the various people.

Drell. I was thinking of [REDACTED]

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Wheelon. We already have [REDACTED]

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Drell. Another man who has great talent for practical things is [REDACTED] I would like to talk and see if I could get any cooperation out of him. Also, a man on optics with whom I have worked in the past is [REDACTED] He has a TS. Maybe I could twist his arm and have him talk to me about it.

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Wheelon. We can run a 24hour check on him. Have our people talk to [] people.

Drell. We have good rapport. That handles the personnel side. I would like to handle the time schedule as follows. Come in for a week and stay away for a week. This will eliminate unnecessary traveling. If I could have some documents that I could read while out here, someplace where they could be stored.

Wheelon. We could do that very easily. There are a number of places there. Do you know the EDL facilities?

Drell. No.

Wheelon. They ~~w~~re very nice facilities for~~x~~~~x~~.

Drell. It might save a trip now and then if I could have some papers. The other minor technical point is when I come into Washington, could it be arranged that I could work after hours at your building.

Wheelon. This could be arranged easily.

Drell. OK, let me have a go at it then.

Wheelon. OK, we are going to start on the 13th and 14th.

Drell. I will come in for that. I would like to see whether I can get in on Tuesday night and would appreciate it if I could twist the arms of the people I talked to - [] to make a rough dictaphone of many of the points that were raised. 25X1

Wheelon. Maybe you could get together Tuesday night with them.

Drell. Could possibly get here around 4:30. I will plan to be in Washington Tuesday night for the meeting on Wednesday.

Wheelon. We will have an agenda all ready for Wednesday. Will have the plan ~~a~~ mapped out for the first day and a half to get you started. I can't tell you how pleased I am. Mr. McCone, I am sure, will ~~xxxxxx~~ also tell you how pleased we are.

Wh. ~~xxxxx~~ Will call you about this time tomorrow re []